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In re Application of :
P. Mickey Williams et al :
Serial No.: 09/613,972 : PETITION DECISION
Filed: July 11, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No.: P1765R1 :

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed June 19, 2002, to withdraw the abandonment of the above identified application based on timely filing of a reply. The delay in acting on this petition is regretted.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed an Office action to applicants on August 8, 2001, and remailed the action September 14, 2001, setting a one month time period for reply. After receiving no reply a Notice of Abandonment was mailed to applicants on June 4, 2002. Applicants state that they filed a reply on November 6, 2001, and include a copy of the Express Mail Label and copy of the Office date stamp of TC 1600 showing receipt on November 7, 2001. The original reply has become misplaced and the copy supplied with the petition will be used. From the evidence of record it is clear that applicant timely replied and the Notice of Abandonment was mailed in error and is hereby withdrawn and the application restored to pending status with the mailing of this decision.

Applicants' petition is **GRANTED**.

The amendment will be entered and the application will be forwarded to the examiner for further consideration.

The one month extension of time, as authorized by applicants, will be charged to applicants' Deposit Account No. 07-0630, as directed.

Should there be any questions with respect to this decision, please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by mail addressed to: Director, Technology Center 1600, Washington, D.C. 20231, or by telephone at (703) 308-3824 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 308-7230.


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